

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of:

Dave S. B. HOON, et al.

Serial No: 10/713,808

Filed: November 14, 2003

For: DETECTION OF MICRO METASTASIS OF
MELANOMA AND BREAST CANCER IN PARAFFIN-
EMBEDDED TUMOR DRAINING LYMPH NODES BY
MULTIMARKER QUANTITATIVE RT-PCR

Art Unit: 1642

Examiner: Sean E. Aeder

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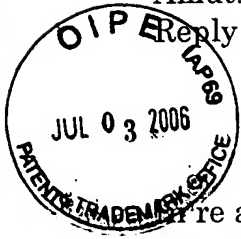
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2006 which was due
Saturday, June 24, 2006, please amend the above-referenced application as
follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.